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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): METHOD FOR THE PRETREATMENT OF A SURFACE FOR THE
REDUCTION OF NON-SPECIFIC BINDING BY CHEMICAL ENTITIES

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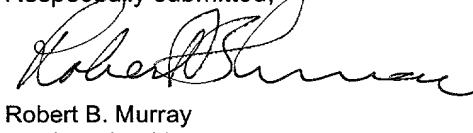
- ☒ 17 pages of Specification/Claims 1-14/Abstract are attached.
☒ Formal drawings (Figs. 1-4; 4 sheets) are attached.
☒ This application is entitled to Small Entity Status.
☒ A Preliminary Amendment is attached.

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			SMALL ENTITY			LARGE ENTITY	
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BASIC FEE				\$ 370	OR		\$ 740
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INDEP CLAIMS	3 - 3	= 0	x 42 =	\$ 00	OR	x 84	\$
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- ☒ A check for the filing fee is not enclosed at this time.

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